

## MISSOURI RICE CHECK - OFF PROGRAM MONTHLY RICE CHECK-OFF ASSESSMENT REPORT

SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH		20	
BUSINESS NAME			
ADDRESS			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	TELEPHONE
	BUSHELS PURCHASED	ASSESSMENT RATE PER BUSHEL	ASSESSMENT AMOUNT
RICE ASSESSMENT		\$.02	\$
PENALTY (1% PER MONTH FROM DUE DATE)			\$
TOTAL RICE ASSESSMENT DUE			\$
I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF LAW THAT THIS REPORT IS TRUE AND ACCURATE.			
SIGNATURE	TITLE		DATE

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Complete this form for your monthly reporting period. If you did not purchase any Missouri rice during the reporting period, please show "zero" purchases and "zero" assessments.
- 2. Make a check payable to the Missouri Rice Commodity Fund for the amount of your assessments and any late payment penalty.
- 3. Monthly assessment reports and fees are due by the 15th day of each month for rice purchases made during the preceding month.
- 4. Mail this report and your check to: MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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P.O. BOX 630

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI 65102

PHONE: 573-751-5633

5. See the Legal Provisions and Procedures on the bottom of this form for additional information about the Missouri rice check-off program.

## LEGAL PROVISIONS AND PROCEDURES

Legal Provisions and Procedures for the assessment and collection of rice check-off fees established in accordance with Sections 275.300 through 275.370 RSMo as amended:

- 1. Effective August 9, 1988, a mandatory two cents (\$.02) per bushel check-off was implemented on all rice produced and/or sold in Missouri. The check-off is authorized under Missouri law and was implemented after the Missouri rice producers passed a referendum to establish the check-off.
- 2. The rice check-off must be collected by the purchaser at the point of first sale by deducting the check-off amount from the total amount due to the seller/producer. The only exception is that the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) will collect the check-off at the time rice is pledged as collateral for a CCC loan. To avoid a double check-off on rice that has been in the CCC loan program, the purchaser should not collect the check-off if the producer/seller provides a copy of his Note and Security Agreement (CCC-677 or CCC-678 Form) which verifies that CCC has already collected the check-off. Check-off collections are identified as "assessments" on the CCC-677 or CCC-678 documents.

(NOTE:) The producer/seller is responsible for providing documentation to prevent a double check-off. The purchaser must collect the rice check-off unless the producer/seller provides a CCC-677 or CCC-678 document which verifies that the check-off was collected by CCC.

- 3. Purchasers of Missouri rice are required to submit an assessment report and remit check-off collections to the Missouri Department of Agriculture by the 15th day of each month for purchases made during the preceding month. A penalty of one percent (1%) per month will be assessed on check-off amounts not submitted by the due date.
- 4. Producers may obtain a refund of rice check-off fees by submitting a refund request form and proof of assessment to the Missouri Department of Agriculture within sixty days (60) days after the check-off is deducted. A proof of assessment is a settlement sheet or other payment document which verifies that the check-off was collected by the purchaser.